

SENATE KILLS DRYDOCK ITEM?

Economy, Reason for Cutting Out Appropriation Providing Enlargement.

HONOLULU ISSUES APPEAL

Chamber of Commerce and Other Organizations Working for Its Reinstatement.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

The item in the naval appropriation bill providing funds for the enlargement of the Pearl Harbor drydock is said to have been killed in committee of the senate on Saturday last. If the report is correct and the action of the committee is sustained, the Pearl Harbor drydock, when completed, will not be big enough to handle the newer dreadnaughts launched and building.

News of this decision, so important to Honolulu, was received here on Monday, and for some reason was kept quiet, only a few of the members of the chamber of commerce being taken into the secret. Yesterday the merchants' association was told about it, and the general membership of the chamber of commerce was informed at the meeting of that organization yesterday afternoon.

In the meantime a cable correspondence has been going on between Honolulu and Washington, various senators being urged to help Hawaii in having the item reinstated in the appropriation bill.

The news that the senate committee had cut the dredging item was cabled to The Advertiser on Saturday by its Washington correspondent, but no intimation reached the public that the drydock item, over which the house had had a spirited debate, had been panned out of the bill. On Saturday, however, a private message was received from Washington and handed over to the president of the chamber of commerce. This message read:

"The senate naval committee rejected drydock appropriation Saturday and reduced dredging appropriation from \$1,500,000 to \$1,200,000, basis of economy."

Asked Instructions.

Although the message did not come from any of Hawaii's official or semi-official representatives in Washington, Mr. Morgan at once sent the following telegram to Delegate Kahio:

"Kahio, Washington. Status drydock appropriation, how can we assist? COMMERCE."

Get Busy.

The answering cable, which was received Tuesday, was read at the meeting of the trustees of the chamber yesterday as follows:

"Cable Senators Penrose, Depew, Perkins and Piles regarding drydock. This advice was at once followed by Mr. Morgan on behalf of the chamber of commerce and a cable was sent to each of the four senators named, earnestly requesting their support for the appropriation to enlarge the drydock. At present this is as far as the matter has gone and the result of the endeavor of the chamber of commerce is being anxiously awaited."

Other organizations, the merchants' association in particular, and the business men of the city have by now appealed to influential friends or representatives in Washington to support the original appropriation of the house.

House Appropriation.

The item in the navy appropriation bill which was amended by the senate was as follows:

"Naval Station, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii: Dredging, \$1,500,000; drydock (limit of cost hereby increased to \$2,700,000), to continue \$1,000,000; in all, \$2,500,000."

It was this item to which the senate committee is reported to have objected on the basis of economy and upon which report is based the protests from Hawaii.

The original cost for the drydock was estimated at \$1,750,000 and this sum was in consequence appropriated, the drydock, under those plans to be 620 feet long and 104 feet wide. With the abandonment of the extensive naval program for the Oahu and other Philippine reservations, the navy department recommended an enlargement of the Pearl Harbor drydock to 720 feet long and 110 feet wide. In consideration of this recommendation by the department, the house made provision for the enlarged plans by raising the limit of expenditure by \$950,000, voting a million at once to continue the work.

The reported action of the senate committee in striking out this amendment by the house reduces the plans for the dock to their original size.

The house reached its conclusion and the subsequent change in the appropriation on the floor in which it was the expressed opinion of the majority of the members that it would be useless to build navy drydocks incapable of handling America's dreadnaughts and super-dreadnaughts.

The chamber of commerce will not take up the reduction of the dredging appropriation, President Morgan stating to the trustees that he had not touched on the matter heretofore as he considered it had policy to place Hawaii in the position of demanding everything. His opinion was concurred in.

The discussion of the matter yesterday by the trustees was slight, there being little before the meeting beside the plain facts which were unpleasantly remembered through discussion.

MOURNING MAKES PROGRAM CHANGE

Functions in Honor of San Gabriel Men Postponed Because of Edward's Death.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

In deference to the recent death of King Edward Captain Pinto-Basto of the Portuguese cruiser San Gabriel will officially and personally observe a three-days period of mourning ending tonight. This official demonstration of grief for the late English sovereign has caused a slight change in the plans of the local entertainment committee, and the reception which was to have been tendered to the captain and officers at Lusitana Hall this evening has been postponed to Friday evening.

Captain Pinto-Basto was a personal friend of the late King Edward, for he frequently accompanied the late King Carlos on his visits to England and other countries, and in this way became personally known to King Edward. A strict mourning observance will therefore be maintained aboard the cruiser not only because of Captain Pinto-Basto's deep respect for the late King Edward, but also on account of the friendly relations and close alliance between Portugal and England. King Manuel, as is well known, may have for his queen an English princess.

The captain, accompanied by the executive officer, and Consul-General Canavaro, called upon Governor Frear yesterday morning at the Capitol.

A number of the bluejackets were escorted all over the city yesterday in special trolley cars, and shown the sights. This morning a number of them will be taken to the Pali in trolley cars.

Last evening a number of the officers were entertained at a smoker at the rooms of the Portuguese club, at Vineyard and Emma streets, and a very jolly time was had. This was the first occasion when the officers and local residents have been together for social intercourse and the evening was therefore delightfully spent.

On Saturday officers and bluejackets will be entertained at a picnic at Pearl Harbor, a special train leaving at eight-thirty to convey the crew and local committees and guests, while the United States lighthouse tender Kukui will convey the captain, officers, Consul-General Canavaro, Mayor Fern and other officials, and committee members, to the scene of the picnic by way of Pearl Harbor channel. This will give an opportunity to the Portuguese officers to inspect the proposed site of the naval base and observe some of the dredging operations.

The captain is waiting to be officially notified by the British consul as to the exact date of the funeral of King Edward. The San Gabriel will be held here until after the funeral, so that the captain may participate in whatever services are held here at the Episcopal cathedral.

The San Gabriel is visited from morning until night by throngs of Portuguese. The older people gaze with reverence upon the little cruiser, for to them it represents the power and dignity of their kingdom and the ties to the westward in the broad Atlantic where the Portuguese flag flies.

On Tuesday evening local Portuguese will give a dramatic performance at Lusitana Hall for the San Gabriel people. At the conclusion of the presentation, a minstrel troupe composed of San Gabriel bluejackets will give a performance for their entertainers.

Massing of School Children.

At four o'clock tomorrow afternoon nearly all the Portuguese pupils of the public schools will be massed in the grounds of the Central Grammar school where they will be reviewed by Captain Pinto-Basto and aide, Consul-General Canavaro and others. The local entertainment committee secured permission yesterday from Superintendent of Public Schools Pope for the use of the grounds.

In the forenoon the officers will be motored around town to inspect various public schools. They will start at ten-thirty. Kamehameha Schools will be visited at eleven-fifteen, and the cadet battalion will there receive the officers. The officers will be at St. Louis College at twelve-thirty. Other schools to be visited are the McKinley High, Normal and Royal.

Flag Will Be Hoisted.

Late this afternoon the fifteen minute guns which have been fired since Tuesday, in respect to the late King Edward will cease and the flag will be hoisted to the mast peak, thus bringing to an end the three days' mourning.

Although the formal mourning thus comes to a close, the captain will observe half-mourning until the funeral of the king takes place, and Consul-General Canavaro's banquet has been postponed from next Monday until the return of the cruiser from Hilo.

If the funeral of King Edward takes place on the 20th, the San Gabriel may leave for Kahului and Hilo the following day. Mr. Canavaro will be the guest of the captain on this trip.

Yesterday morning the consul-general accompanied Captain Pinto-Basto and the latter's aide when the formal calls were made upon Governor Frear, the Japanese consul, the British consul and the Chinese consul. Afterwards a call was made upon the bishop of Zeigmas at the Catholic mission.

When the officers, who were guests of the local committees on motor trips about the city yesterday, returned from the Pali, after visiting the Aquarium, Diamond Head and Punchbowl Hill, they expressed their admiration particularly of the magnificent scenery as viewed from the Pali. They pronounced the view one of the finest they have seen since leaving Portugal.

Captain Pinto-Basto is also very much pleased with the splendid aloha extended to him and his officers and crew by the Portuguese residents and for the many pleasures they are offering the San Gabriel's people. The officers are looking forward with interest to their trip through the Pearl Harbor locks on Saturday aboard the lighthouse tender Kukui.

PROMINENT MEN TO BE IN LINE

Committee of One Hundred Will Lead Fight Against Saloons—All Parties Unite.

The organization of the prohibition party is proceeding systematically, the workers including many of the most prominent men in Honolulu. A committee of one hundred is being formed and upon this committee will devolve the work of carrying on the campaign, which is to be actively entered upon before the beginning of June.

The committee includes leaders among the Hawaiians and the haoles, prominent church members and leading citizens without church affiliations, prominent politicians, members of the bench and bar, government officials, merchants, plantation managers, capitalists and toilers. Governor Frear is a member; W. W. Goodale is another; Rev. M. Nakuna is on the list and Abraham Fernandez will represent the Mormon community, while scores of others have agreed to serve.

The women of Honolulu are also actively organizing for a two-fold purpose; they will work to bring out a strong vote among the men who favor prohibition, for the regular polling, and they will work to secure a full poll as possible of the women at their own straw vote election some day before July 23. The twenty-seven women's organizations that petitioned congress to allow them to vote at the plebiscite are to combine in the straw balloting, and the effect of their plebiscite is expected to be felt very materially when the voters decided for or against the saloons on plebiscite day.

Almost without an exception, the reports received in town from the other islands are to the effect that prohibition will carry with good majorities on every island. With this to reassure them, the prohibition workers on Oahu are going into the fight determined to bring Oahu into line with a big majority also and have the vote by islands unanimously against the continuation of the manufacture and sale of intoxicants.

The anti-prohibition faction is working desperately but silently. There is not a side that can be openly defended very well. Anti-prohibition leaders are naturally retiring and the more noise has to be made when any expressions favorable to their cause can be obtained from someone outside of the business. As a matter of fact, the saloon business has not yet found an open defender in the Territory. There are those who do not believe that the best method of suppressing saloons is found in prohibition and their opinions are heralded forth to support the saloon.

Secretary Mott-Smith is preparing for the work of calling the election, a great deal of routine having to be done before the ballots are ready to be marked with their "yes" or "no."

HELP THE OLD FOLKS

A Helping Hand Extended to Many Old People in Honolulu.

Be considerate of the aged. Lend them a helping hand. Make life easy for them.

The infirmities of age are many. Most old people have a bad back. The kidneys are weak. Are worn out with years of work. Backache makes days of misery. Urinary troubles nights of unrest. Doan's Kidney Pills will make life easier.

They are doing so for old and young. Honolulu people are learning this. Read the following local endorsement: B. T. White, Pearl City, Oahu, Honolulu, Hawaii, says: "I am ninety-two years of age and I suffered from backache and kidney disease for eight years. I have given Doan's Backache Kidney Pills a fair trial and have been so greatly benefited that I cheerfully recommend them to other kidney sufferers."

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers. 50 cents per box (six boxes \$2.50) and will be mailed on receipt of price by the Holliester Drug Co., Honolulu, wholesale agents for the Hawaiian Islands. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

SCIENTISTS HURT IN A BALLOON ACCIDENT

GLASGOW, Kentucky, May 11.—Holland Forbes, aeronaut, and J. C. Yates, an astronomer, who began a balloon flight in Illinois on Monday, with the intention of landing somewhere near New York, were yesterday found near here, both unconscious. The wrecked portions of their balloon were picked up near the bodies.

PERU IS READY FOR ECUADOR

LIMA, Peru, May 10.—Active preparations for war with Ecuador are being made.

ROOSEVELT WITNESSES A REVIEW OF GERMAN TROOPS

BERLIN, May 11.—Twelve thousand troops, the flower of the German army, passed in review before His Imperial Majesty, Wilhelm II, of Germany, and his guest, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, today.

The death of Edward of England has caused necessary modifications in the entertainment of Colonel Roosevelt, modifications, however, which in no wise impaired the brilliant spectacle today. Colonel Roosevelt expressed himself as delighted with the splendid appearance of the imperial troops.

RUSSIAN EXODUS STILL CONTINUES

Immigrants, Old and New, Ready to Tackle Plantations—Jobs Awaiting Them.

(From Thursday's Advertiser.)

Eighty-two Russians left last evening for Hilo on the steamer Maui, to be distributed on Oahu and Waianae plantations as laborers. One hundred and fifty-four immigrants were booked yesterday, and those in addition to the eighty-two shipped out yesterday, will be sent to Makaweli and Waialua.

There was a preference expressed yesterday for Waialua, but it was stated that only ten families could be booked for that plantation and no single men would be taken on. Even these ten families were offered positions through the good nature of Manager Goodale, as he did not actually need the laborers. There was little trouble at the planters' association shed during the day, as the laborers appeared to have made up their minds that the jobs offered were in accordance with the knowledge they had of the work expected of them. Among those who paraded the planters' hospitality in the shed were a number of the Iwilei villagers, and several of these were shipped out yesterday, although the majority of those booked by the planters' association agents, R. D. Mead and W. H. Babbitt, were of the newest arrivals from Manchuria.

All of the Russians but five were passed by the United States immigration officials. These rejected ones are a mother and her children. The woman is not married and has no relatives among the immigrants, and she is therefore marked to return to Manchuria.

The immigrants, upon leaving the immigration building, reported to the planters' officials and as soon as they had made up their minds to take work on the plantations they were booked and given baggage tags for their belongings. The tags are printed with the names of the plantations to which they are assigned, and although a steamer man may not be able to learn from an immigrant just where he wants to go the tag on his bundles tells the story direct.

A. W. Perelstrous was at the planters' shed all day and aided the officials very materially in arranging for the distribution of the immigrants who booked for work.

Suspicious Characters.

During the afternoon, a auto stopped in front of the planter shed and two men got out. One, a Russian, engaged some of the Russians at the gate in conversation. One of these was a slatternly dressed woman, of middle age, although her face is beginning to look old. She was taken to one side by the Russian and his friend, who was "Phoney" Davis, well known in police circles and who was recently before the federal authorities in connection with the charges of immoral conduct brought against some of the Russian women by District Attorney Breckons. Both men were a little the worse for liquor. The actions of the men were watched by officials, as it was supposed that a proposition to leave the shed was made to the woman. The Russian interpreter was one of those who arrived here in the first lot of immigrants, and who has become Americanized as to the cut of clothes now adorning his person.

The woman did not go, and she seemed to be bewildered when the men had gone away.

BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN IN ARIZONA

Rob Passengers, Including Attorney-General and Two of His Office Deputies.

PHOENIX, Arizona, May 12.—An eastern bound train on the Southern Pacific was captured near here yesterday by bandits and the passengers robbed. The bandits had placed obstructions upon the track, bringing the train to a stop, when they held up the engine crew and compelled them to go ahead with the locomotive, leaving the passenger and mail coaches behind.

Among the passengers robbed were the attorney-general of Arizona and two of his deputies.

After going through the passengers, taking money and jewelry, the bandits mounted horses and made their escape into the desert. A posse is already out on their trail.

EX-COMMISSIONER APPEARS IN COURT

SAN RAFAEL, May 11.—Former Police Commissioner Flannery of San Francisco is on trial here for his complicity in the wire-tapping operations of the Haussalt poolroom gamblers. The work of selecting a jury has begun.

Special Ambassador.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Word was received this afternoon from Colonel Roosevelt accepting the offer made him by President Taft to become America's special ambassador at the funeral of King Edward. Colonel Roosevelt's plans have been materially changed, and he is now scheduled to arrive in the English capital some days prior to May 20, the date set for the royal funeral.

London will be the last European city to which he will be received, and he will sail at once to New York after he has performed the duties devolving upon him in his new post just accepted.

SCIENTIST DUE TO STUDY COMET

Professor of Ohio University on Sierra With Complete Astronomical Outfit.

One of the arrivals on the Sierra tomorrow will be Professor H. C. Lord of the Ohio State University who, in landing in Honolulu, will complete a six-thousand-mile trip undertaken to witness the transit of Halley's comet across the sun. With Professor Lord comes E. F. Coddington, his assistant. The sum of \$2500 was contributed by Emerson McMillan, a New York banker, to make the trip possible, a trip which, when completed, will cover almost 12,000 miles to see a phenomenon of an hour's duration.

Professor Lord and Mr. Coddington expected to arrive on the Lurline but were delayed. They left Columbus, Ohio, on April 27, and are carrying with them a four-inch telescope and a spectroscopic which they believe will be the best here. A temporary mounting for the telescope accompanies the expedition. A number of photographs will be taken of the sun during the transit to determine whether the passing of the comet across its face modifies the sunlight, and a scientific recording of every phase of the phenomenon will be made.

Comet Freaks.

Included in the phenomena expected by the scientists are electro magnetic waves which may be set up by electrical discharges or meteoric particles, in which case disturbances will be observed in the receiving apparatus of wireless installations. The stations of the Mutual company, which are scattered around Hawaii, and Kahuku especially, will of course, come in for their share of these disturbances should any occur and the United States hydrographic office has requested them as well as all others to note the slightest phenomena they might detect.

Shipsmasters are also requested to note anything out of the normal. The occurrence of meteorites should be logged by the watch officer, with details of time, size, direction and duration. The operator hearing unusual noises in the telephone should note the time and see whether there were any meteorites observed at the time; also the ship's head and the direction of the antennae at the same time. As the compass may also be deflected, a close watch should be kept for unusual deflections of the needle, noting their exact time, amount and whether periodical.

In addition to the above it is requested that all shipsmasters who view the comet will inform the hydrographic office of the brightness of the object as compared with bright stars in the heavens, the angular length of the tail, comparing the length with the angular distance between bright stars near it; its form and color. To make these observations it is suggested that shipsmasters use their binoculars, spyglasses or the low-power eyepiece of their sextants.

KONA RAILROAD BILL FAVORABLY REPORTED

House Committee Recommends That Congress Approves Bill of Legislature.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The bill authorizing W. A. Wall and his associates to construct a railroad in Kona, Island of Hawaii, has been favorably reported in the house.

The above cable indicates the approval by congress of Act 115 of the legislative session of 1909, which granted to W. A. Wall and associates, subject to the approval of congress, a franchise for a railway in Kona. The line of the railway, as described in the act, is "from a point in the district of Kona, island of Hawaii, starting at tide water at Kaawaloa, running south on grades 11.2 and 21.9 per cent to an elevation of 925 feet at Kahauko, in the said district of Kona, thence over intervening lands in a southerly direction on broken grades to a 1200 feet elevation, thence through or near Waiohinu in the district of Kau, thence through Naelehu to Honouapo, in the said district of Kau, thence to Hilea (old mill site), thence over intervening lands to Pahala mill in said district of Kau. From the 925 elevation at Kahauko in the district of Kona, running north over intervening lands various grades to 1200 feet elevation at the village of Honokohau in the district of Kona."

The franchise provides that the railway may be operated by steam, compressed air, electricity or storage batteries and if by electricity with either underground or overhead wires. It is provided that "the speed of an engine, car or other vehicle used upon such railway while on a public highway, except in crossing the same, shall not exceed eight miles per hour, under penalty of \$300 to be paid to the Territory for each violation of this provision."

The construction of the railway is to be under the supervision of the superintendent of public works. It must be commenced within three years from the approval of the act—April 26, 1909—and at least fifteen miles must be in operation within two years after commencement. As to rates the act says: "Rates and charges for freight and passengers shall be adjusted by a commission consisting of the superintendent of public works and two others appointed by the Governor of the Territory of Hawaii."

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SAN FRANCISCO IS LOGICAL PLACE

President Pleases Sons of Golden West at Booster Dinner at Washington.

TALKED OF PANAMA FAIR

If Only One Exposition Be Held He Favors Having It on Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—There is great rejoicing here over the favorable reception by President Taft of the claims of San Francisco as the suitable place for holding the Panama Exposition in 1915, although the President left a loophole in his endorsement should he have need for advocating the holding of another exposition in any other city in celebration of the opening of the Panama Canal.

The President was the guest at dinner last night of the San Francisco delegation at Washington, at which the claims of this city were urged upon him. In his reply he stated that if it be decided to celebrate the opening of the Panama Canal by the holding of a world's fair in any one city, he believed that San Francisco was the city that should be selected. It was logical that such a selection should be made, he said.

The question is one for congress to decide, the President said in conclusion, but if congress thought best that only one celebration should be held, his influence would be counted upon to have San Francisco named as the place for that celebration.

MASSING MEN ON ECUADOR FRONTIER

Peru Ready to Spring the Moment War Is Declared—Situation Is Serious.

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, May 12.—It is reported here that the Peruvian government has now an army of ten thousand men stationed on the Ecuadorian frontier, ready to invade this country the moment war is declared. The situation is tense and active hostilities may commence at any time. The Ecuadorian government is active in its military preparations, at the same time declaring that there is no occasion for alarm.

TURKS HAVE LOST TWO HUNDRED MEN

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 12.—The resistance being offered by the Albanian insurgents to the troops of the Turkish army is becoming serious, and the insurance is assuming proportions alarming to the Turkish government. Reports received from the scene of the fighting are to the effect that during the various engagements of the past five days the Turks have lost over two hundred men in killed and wounded.

Arrangements are being made to strengthen the Turkish army at the front and carry on the campaign against the Albanians with vigor.

AGED NAVAL OFFICER DIPS OF APOPLEXY

PHILADELPHIA, May 11.—Rear Admiral Andrew Jackson Kierstedt, U. S. N., retired, died at his home, 1723 Park avenue, this city, from apoplexy today. Admiral Kierstedt was seventy years old at the time of his death, having been retired in 1904 and raised to the rank of rear admiral two years later in recognition of gallant services during the Civil War.

NICARAGUAN TROOPS APPROACH BLUEFIELDS

Engagement Between Insurgents and Madriz Men Imminent—Martial Law.

BLUEFIELDS, May 12.—President Madriz's troops are reported to be within ten miles of today and the capture of this place is feared. The insurgents have taken up a position of defense and are hopeful of driving the government troops back. The city has been declared under martial law. An engagement is imminent.

SHAKES ARE FELT IN THE QUAKE BELT

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, May 11.—Severe shocks of earthquake were experienced here today and the city is in a state bordering on panic. Thousands are leaving the city, and there is a general exodus from the houses to the open, the people having fresh in their minds the recent Santiago horrors.

SAN DOMINGO, May 11.—Sharp shocks of earthquake were felt here today. No damage is reported.

RIVER BOAT GOES DOWN.

ST. LOUIS, May 11.—One of the river packet boats plying out of here was sunk yesterday in a collision and six of her crew were drowned.